

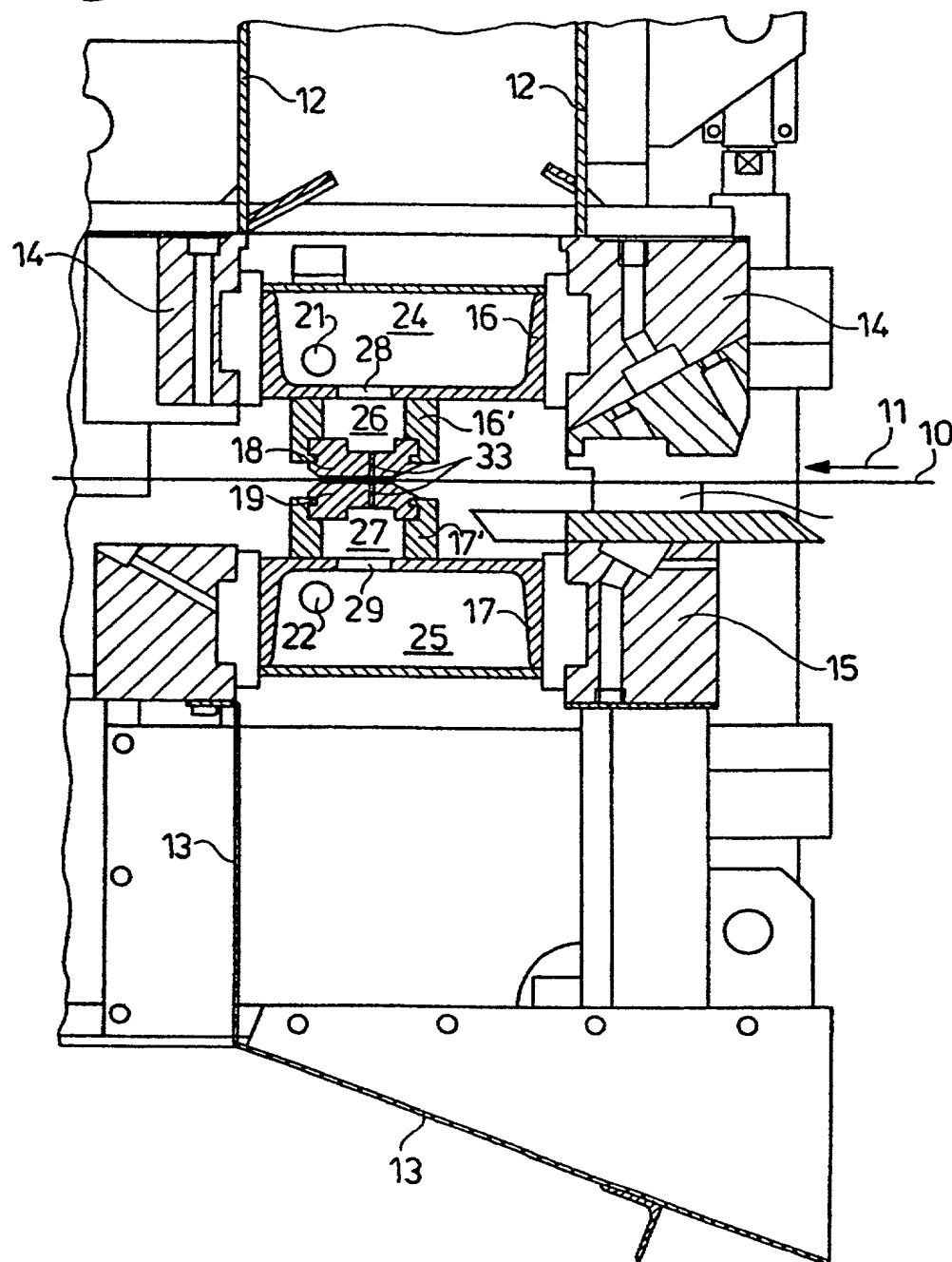
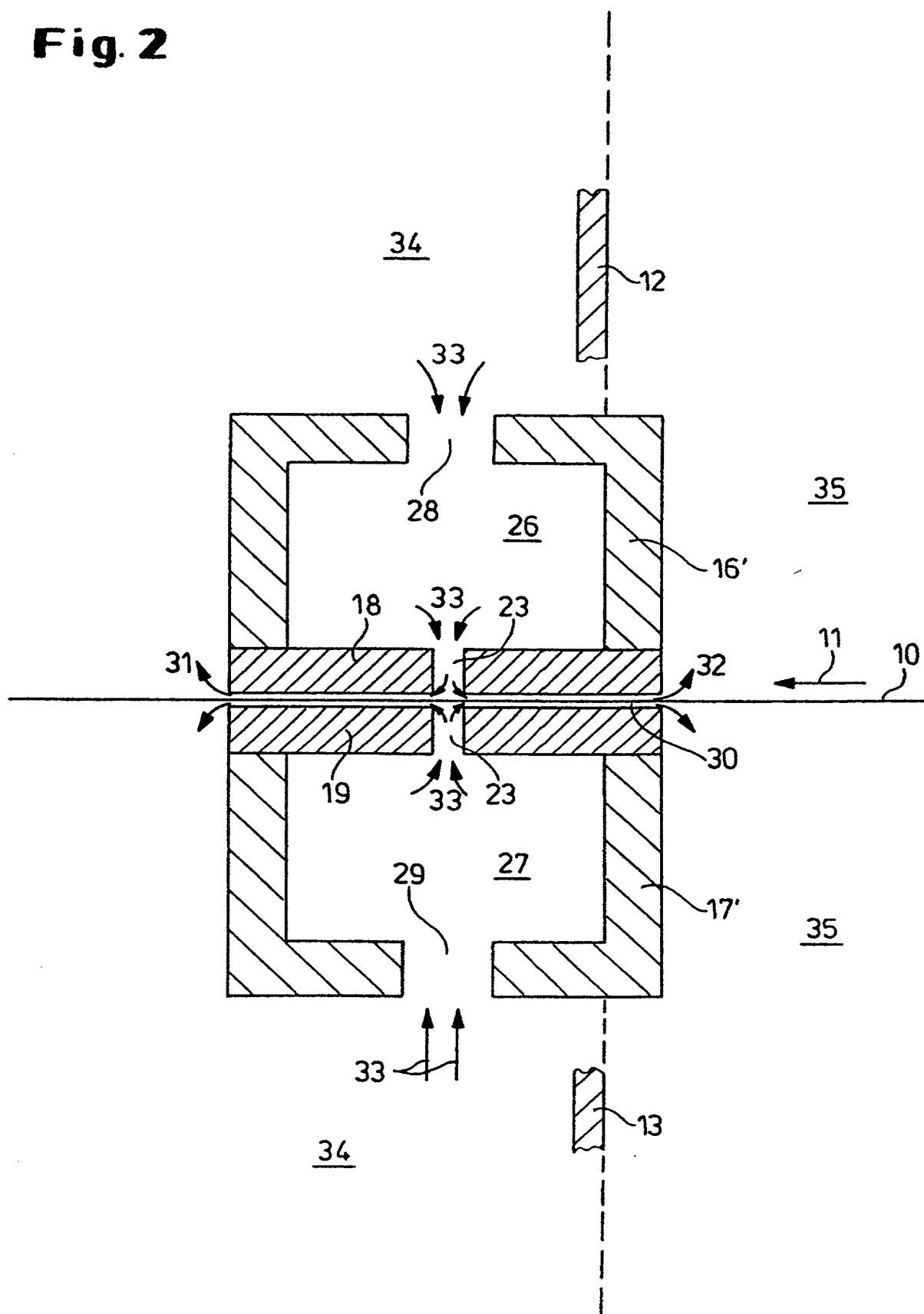
Fig. 1

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COMBINED DECLARATION FOR PARENT APPLICATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY
(includes Reference to PCT International Applications)

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As the below named inventors, We hereby declare that:
Our residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name,

We believe we are the original, first and sole inventors (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: **METHOD AND DEVICE FOR DRYING AND KEEPING DRY ESPECIALLY COLD-ROLLED STRIP IN THE DELIVERY AREA OF COLD-ROLLING AND STRIP-ROLLING PLANTS**

the specification of which (check only one item below):

- ☐ is attached hereto.
- ☐ was filed as United States application
Serial No. _____
on _____
and was amended
on _____ (if applicable).
- ☒ was filed as PCT international application
Number PCT/EP00/01235
on February 16, 2000
and was amended under PCT Article 19
on _____ (if applicable).

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a).

We hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or of any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America filed by me on the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application(s) of which priority is claimed:

PRIOR FOREIGN/PCT APPLICATION(S) AND ANY PRIORITY CLAIMS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 119:

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